





### IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

### In re Application of:

R. Scott Hamilton

**Serial No.:** 10/042,522

Filed: January 9, 2002

For: CRYSTALLIZATION OF

2,4,6,8,10,12-HEXANITRO-2,4,6,8,10,12-HEXAAZATETRACYCLO[5.5.0.0 5,9.0

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# **COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE**

Mail Stop ISSUE FEE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

#### The Examiner indicates:

In view of the applicants filing of an RCE, IDS and amendments to claims 1-36 correcting minor typographical errors filed on October 4, 2004, the claims are in condition for allowance. The applicant stated in his response filed April 22, 2004 that the use of inverse precipitation such that the dry solvent solution is added to the non-solvent is not disclosed in the closest prior art Johnston et al., U.S.

5,874,574. Thus, none of the prior art of record or a search in the pertinent art area teaches the process of preparing epsilon polymorph 2,4,6,8,10,12-hexanitro-2,4,6,8,0,12-hexaazatetracyclo[5.5.0.0.<sup>5,9</sup>0<sup>3,11</sup>]-dodecane of the instant invention.

Applicants concur with the reasons as stated by the Examiner insofar as they comprise a summary, and are exemplary and not limiting. However, the independent claims as allowed include other and different language than that specified by the Examiner, and the allowed dependent claims include other and further features and elements. Accordingly, the scope of the claims must be determined from the literal language of each as a whole, as well as equivalents thereof.

Respectfully submitted,

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## TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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Sir:

Applicant submits herewith Part B - Fee(s) Transmittal for the above-captioned application and a check in the amount of \$1730.00 in payment therefor plus ten (10) copies of the patent when issued.

Also enclosed is an Amendment Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.312(a) (19 pages); Comments attement of Reasons for Allowance (2 pages); and Fee Addressee for Receipt of PTO Notices Relating to Maintenance Fees (2 pages).

Applicant understands that no additional fees are required. However, if the Office determines that any comparison fees or other additional fees are required, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any such fees to TraskBritt Deposit Account No. 20-1469. A copy of this Transmittal Letter is enclosed for deposit account charging purposes.

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Enclosures: Part B - Issue Fee Transmittal

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